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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

Don't let giant telecom conglomerates eliminate all their local competition, hike prices, and reduce service. This marketplace competition is the bedrock of capitalism.

For years, the only decent internet available to me was Comcast. The speeds were slow, the prices went up every year, and the customer service is notoriously awful. I now have Sonic, a local fiber provider. The speeds are literally 10 times faster and cost LESS than I was paying before.

Broadband competition is vital for consumers and small businesses.

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